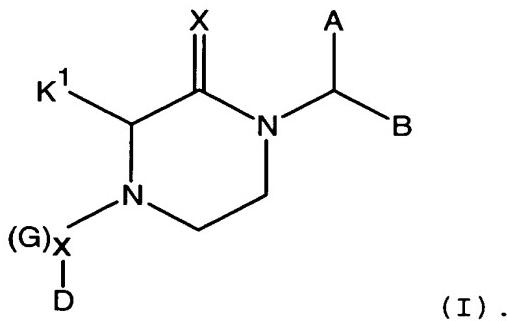


nitrogens form a five-membered ring, namely hydrogenated imidazole, composition and method of use;

- II. claims 1-20, drawn to compound of formula (I), wherein J and K taken together with the two nitrogens form a six-membered ring, namely, piperazine, composition and method of use;
- III. claims 1-20, drawn to compound of formula (I), wherein J and K taken together with the two nitrogens form a seven-membered ring, namely, 1,4-azepane, composition and method of use; and
- IV. claims 1-20, drawn to compound of formula (I), wherein J and K taken together with the two nitrogens form a hetero ring not provided for in the above three groups, composition and method of use.

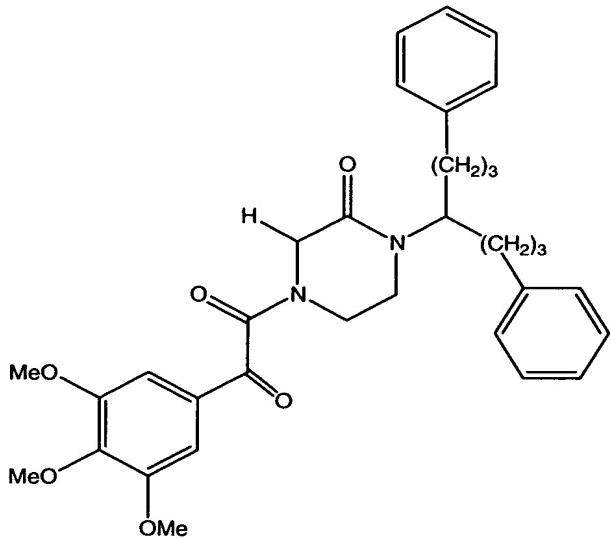
Applicants elect Group II, claims 1-20, drawn to compound of formula (I), wherein J and K taken together with the two nitrogens form a piperazine ring, as shown below in formula (I):



Applicants reserve the right to pursue the canceled subject matter in future applications claiming priority herefrom.

SPECIES ELECTION

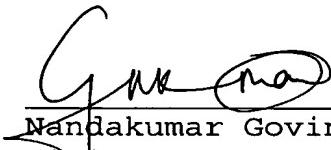
Pursuant to the requirement to elect a species under 37 C.F.R. § 1.143, applicants elect the following compound:



CONCLUSION

Applicants request that the Examiner enter the above election, and allow the claims to pass to issue.

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